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NEXT: The Legacy of Leadership

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Numbers 27:12-23

□ Leadership ENVISIONS

- “Now the Lord said to Moses: ‘Go up into this Mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given to the children of Israel. And when you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people...’” – Numbers 27:12
- Leadership begins with **“FOLLOW” SHIP**
- “Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.” – I Corinthians 1:11
- We must see the **PROMISE**, before we can sow the **VISION**
- “Let the Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation...” – Numbers 27:16
- “But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.’” – I Samuel 16:7
- God doesn’t call the **qualified**; He qualifies the **called**
- “And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.” – Romans 8:30 (NLT)
- Leadership needs to be passed on to the next generation
- Moses **ENVISIONS** before he **EMPOWERS**
- “...who may go out before them and go in before them, who may lead them out and bring them in...” – numbers 27:17b
- We need leaders who are **RELATABLE**
- “...that the congregation of the Lord may not be like sheep which have no shepherd.” – Numbers 27:17c
- Godly leaders have concern for the people; **COMPASSION**
- “And the LORD said to Moses: “Take Joshua the son of Nun with you, a man in whom *is* the Spirit, and lay your hand on him” – Numbers 27:18
- Joshua was God’s choice; not Moses’
- God chooses the **“SPIRIT-FILLED”** to do His will

□ Leadership ENDORSES

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- “Set him before Eleazar the priest and before all the congregation, and inaugurate him in their sight.”
– Numbers 27:19
- The **ANOINTING** should precede the **APPOINTING**
- And you shall give *some* of your authority to him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient.” – Joshua 27:20
- The endorsement is followed by **EXPERIENCE**
- Godly leadership provides **OPPORTUNITY** for growth
- Joshua had been given opportunities as Moses’ assistant and as one of the 12 spies
- Joshua shadowed Moses to gain the necessary experience to lead the people in to the promise
- Godly leaders help to **DISCOVER**, **DEVELOP** and **DEPLOY** your gifts for the service of God.
- **Leadership EMPOWERS**
 - “So Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He took Joshua and set him before Eleazar the priest and before all the congregation.” – Numbers 27:22
 - Moses empowers Joshua by giving him *some* **AUTHORITY**
 - “And he laid his hands on him and inaugurated him, just as the Lord commanded by the hand of Moses.” – Numbers 27:23
 - The laying on of hands indicate a **TRANSFER** of power
 - It is also a transfer of responsibility
 - Moses empowers Joshua (Deuteronomy 31:1-8)

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